HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 937

By Spivey

A RESOLUTION relative to Lung Cancer Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is proud to promote and recognize the efforts of organizations in our State that work to raise awareness about serious health issues affecting our citizens; and

WHEREAS, lung cancer takes more lives annually than breast, prostate, colorectal, and pancreatic cancers combined; and

WHEREAS, in Tennessee, cancer of the lung and bronchus account for approximately one in three deaths due to cancer, making research for an early diagnostic test and more effective treatments all the more important to help save lives; and

WHEREAS, LUNGevity Foundation has the largest grants awards program for lung cancer research among private nonprofit lung cancer organizations in the United States, awarding over \$5 million in the past two years alone to the most promising research projects; and

WHEREAS, LUNGevity Foundation has a history of excellence in lung cancer awareness, scientific research, and advocacy efforts and organizes events across the country to support lung cancer survivors and their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, the Breathe Deep walks and runs organized by LUNGevity are the Foundation's national signature events, launched by the Foundation and their volunteer event coordinators to raise public awareness and critical funds needed for lung cancer research; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans should be better informed about diagnosis, treatment, and research relative to lung cancer; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join with the compassionate people of the LUNGevity Foundation in commemorating November 2014 as "Lung Cancer Awareness Month."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.